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1. Dental college clinicians' knowledge about the Jazan region's status regarding oral cancer is suboptimal and should receive more emphasis in their dental training | This dissertation
2. Substantial factors, such as dentists' experience, efficacy beliefs and skills relating to oral cancer examination practices are overlooked in the current dental education/training programs, which can adversely influence the early detection of oral cancer | This dissertation
3. More attention should be paid to the practical application of evidence-based oral cancer knowledge in dental education | This dissertation
4. Dental patients feel the need for oral cancer examinations as an essential component in routine dental practices | This dissertation
5. The high mortality rate of oral cancer patients is not due to the difficulty in detection of the disease, but rather because of its delayed detection.
6. Dentists are the frontline key to the early detection of oral cancer.
7. In areas that are at high risk of the disease, such as Jazan, oral cancer screening must be practiced routinely by all dentists.
8. The ISAC intervention for the early detection and prevention of oral cancer can reach its full potential when policymakers effectively communicate the importance of practicing ISAC among dentists, dental students and dental patients | Valorization addendum
9. Early detection of oral cancer is fundamental in fulfilling the Saudi Vision for public health by 2030.

